

**MINUTES OF AN ADJOURNED REGULAR  
MEETING OF THE TORRANCE CITY COUNCIL**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Torrance City Council convened in an adjourned regular session at 6:02 p.m. on Tuesday, October 4, 2005 in City Council Chambers at Torrance City Hall.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Councilmembers Mauno, McIntyre, Nowatka, Scotto, and Mayor Walker.

Absent: Councilmember Witkowski.

Also Present: City Manager Jackson, City Attorney Fellows, City Clerk Herbers, and other staff representatives.

**2. FLAG SALUTE/INVOCATION**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Mauno.

Councilmember Nowatka gave the non-sectarian invocation.

**3. AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING/WAIVE FURTHER READING**

**MOTION:** Councilmember Mauno moved to accept and file the report of the City Clerk on the posting of the agenda for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Witkowski).

**MOTION:** Councilmember Mauno moved that after the City Clerk has read aloud the number and title to any resolution or ordinance on the meeting agenda, the further reading thereof shall be waived, reserving and guaranteeing to each Councilmember the right to demand the reading of any such resolution or ordinance in regular order. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Witkowski).

**4. WITHDRAWN OR DEFERRED ITEMS**

None

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City Manager Jackson announced the promotion of Kim Turner as Transit Director.

**5. COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Fire Chief Bongard reminded the public that ExxonMobil would be conducting the monthly test of the siren and community alert system on Wednesday, October 5, at 11:30 a.m.

**6. COMMUNITY MATTERS**

**6A. PROCLAMATION RE "GERMAN-AMERICAN DAY"**

Mayor Walker presented a proclamation to Frigga Breitenstein, German-American League President, declaring Thursday, October 6, 2005 as ***German-American Day*** in the City of Torrance, and encouraging all residents to participate in the various activities being planned by the German-American League and others to commemorate the contributions German Americans have made to the community and the nation as a whole.

**6B. PROCLAMATION RE “FAMILY HISTORY MONTH”**

Mayor Walker presented a proclamation to South Bay Cities Genealogical Society President Warren Weimer and Circulation Chairperson Oren Sheldon declaring the month of October 2005 as ***Family History Month*** in the City of Torrance, and encouraging family history research, education, and the sharing of knowledge to renew the commitment to the concept of family and home.

**7. CONSENT CALENDAR**

**7A. PURCHASE ORDER RE ANNUAL REQUIREMENT OF PERIODICALS FOR TORRANCE PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the **City Librarian** and the **Community Services Director** that City Council authorize a purchase order in an amount not to exceed \$58,000 to W.T. Cox Subscriptions, Inc., of Shallotte, NC for the purchase of the annual requirement of periodicals for the Torrance Library System for calendar year 2006.

**7B. CONTRACT WITH ARTS AND SPECIAL EVENTS CONSULTANT JOHN POWERS**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the **Community Services Director** that City Council approve a contract with John Powers, Consultant, in an amount not to exceed \$60,000 for the following services: \$22,000 for Multidisciplinary Programs; \$13,000 for Wild Wednesdays; and \$25,000 for Special Projects.

**MOTION:** Councilmember McIntyre moved for the approval of Consent Calendar Items 7A and 7B. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Witkowsky).

**11. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**11A. TORRANCE FIRE CHIEF OFFICERS ASSOCIATION (TFCOA) MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**

**Recommendation**

Recommendation of the **City Manager** that City Council adopt a Memorandum of Understanding Resolution for the Torrance Fire Chief Officers Association (TFCOA) for the period September 4, 2005 through December 31, 2008.

Assistant to the City Manager Sunshine reported that Torrance Fire Chief Officers Association's wage and benefit package is consistent with Torrance Fire Fighters Association's package.

**MOTION:** Councilmember McIntyre moved to concur with the staff recommendation. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Scotto and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Witkowsky).

**RESOLUTION NO. 2005-105**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE SETTING FORTH HOURS, WAGES, AND WORKING CONDITIONS FOR EMPLOYEES REPRESENTED BY THE TORRANCE FIRE CHIEF OFFICERS ASSOCIATION FOR THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 4, 2005 UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2008, AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2005-81

**MOTION:** Councilmember Scotto moved for the adoption of Resolution No. 2005-105. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Nowatka and passed by unanimous roll call vote (absent Councilmember Witkowsky).

**15. SECOND READING ORDINANCES**

**15A. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3676**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3676**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2349 JEFFERSON STREET FROM M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) TO P-D (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT).

**MOTION:** Councilmember McIntyre moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3676. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mauno and passed by a 4-1 majority roll call vote, with Councilmember Scotto dissenting (absent Councilmember Witkowsky).

*Councilmember Nowatka amended his vote from “no” to “yes” as a courtesy after it was noted that ordinances must be approved by a four-member majority in order to be adopted.*

**15B. SECOND AND FINAL READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 3677**

**ORDINANCE NO. 3677**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TORRANCE, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING DIVISION 9 OF THE TORRANCE MUNICIPAL CODE TO RECLASSIFY CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2303 JEFFERSON STREET FROM M-2 (HEAVY MANUFACTURING) TO P-D (PLANNED DEVELOPMENT).

**MOTION:** Councilmember McIntyre moved for the adoption of Ordinance No. 3677. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Mauno and passed by a 4-1 roll call vote, with Councilmember Scotto dissenting (absent Councilmember Witkowsky).

*Councilmember Nowatka amended his vote from “no” to “yes” as a courtesy after it was noted that ordinances must be approved by a four-member majority in order to be adopted.*

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The Council met as the Redevelopment Agency from 6:20 p.m. to 6:23 p.m.

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**16. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**16A.** City Clerk Herbers announced candidate forums scheduled for the November 8, 2005 election. She noted that Torrance Unified School District Board of Education candidates would be present at the following forums: October 19, 7:00 p.m., at the George Nakano Theatre sponsored by the League of Women Voters, AAUW and Torrance Council of PTAs; October 26, 7:00 p.m., at Richardson Middle School sponsored by the Riviera Homeowners Association; and October 27, 7:00 p.m., at North High School Library sponsored by the North Torrance Homeowners Association.

**16B.** City Clerk Herbers invited staff and public to view the watercolors of Torrance Artist Guild member Anita Johnson on display in the City Clerk's office for the month of October.

**16C.** Councilmember Mauno reported that he and Councilmember Witkowsky as members of the Armed Forces Committee visited Washington D.C. to begin preparations for the 2006 Armed Forces Day Celebration with the Army as the featured service.

**16D.** Councilmember Mauno wished the Jewish community a happy Rosh Hashanah.

**16E.** Councilmember McIntyre requested, with the concurrence of the City Council, that a proclamation be drafted for Maestro Frank Fetta for his service to the community on the completion of the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Torrance Symphony.

**16F.** Councilmember Scotto noted that the Torrance Cultural Arts Center Foundation opened its season with a performance by Vicki Lawrence as Mama, which was very enjoyable, and encouraged attendance at future Foundation events.

**16G.** Councilmember Scotto invited the public to participate in a cleanup of Madrona Marsh in observation of "Make a Difference Day" on Saturday, October 22, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**16H.** Councilmember Scotto presented a letter to staff from the California Integrated Waste Management Board about grant funds of \$17 million available to cities for rubberized asphalt street paving material.

**16I.** Raymie McCoy, 220<sup>th</sup> St., invited the City Council and the public to attend an October 13 meeting of Save Historic Old Torrance at the law office of Leonard Fruchter.

## **17. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 6:30 p.m., the Council recessed to closed session to confer with the City Manager and the City Attorney on agenda matters listed under 17A) Conference with Labor Negotiator and 17B) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation, pursuant to California Government Code Sections 54957.6 and 54956.9(a).

The Council reconvened in Council Chambers at 7:08 p.m. No formal action was taken on any matter considered in closed session.

## **18. ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:08 p.m., the meeting was adjourned to Tuesday, October 11, 2005 at 5:30 p.m. for an executive session, with the regular meeting commencing at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

Attest:

/s/ Dan Walker

Mayor of the City of Torrance

/s/ Sue Herbers

Sue Herbers, CMC

City Clerk of the City of Torrance

Approved on January 24, 2006

Sue Sweet  
Recording Secretary

City Council  
October 4, 2005